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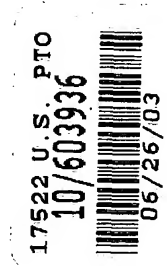
June 26, 2003

MAIL STOP PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

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Re: Application of Masamichi OKADA, Yukinori NAGAKURA, Tetsuo KISO,
Takashi TOYA and Satoshi HAYASHIBE
PHARMACEUTICALS FOR NEUROPATHIC PAIN
Assignee: YAMANOUCHI PHARMACEUTICAL CO., LTD.
Our Ref: Q75942
Divisional of Application No.: 10/031,404

Dear Sir:

This is a request for a Divisional Application of pending prior Application No. 10/031,404 (Confirmation No. 2114) filed January 18, 2002 of Masamichi OKADA, Yukinori NAGAKURA, Tetsuo KISO, Takashi TOYA and Satoshi HAYASHIBE entitled PHARMACEUTICALS FOR NEUROPATHIC PAIN.

This application is being filed under 37 C.F.R. § 1.53(b). Enclosed is a specification, including the claims and abstract, two (2) sheets of drawings, and a copy of the Declaration as filed in the prior application. Also enclosed is an Information Disclosure Statement, a PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) listing references cited by applicant and/or the examiner during prosecution of the prior application.

The prior application is assigned to Group Art Unit 1617.

Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

This application is a divisional of U.S. Application No. 10/031,404 filed January 18, 2002, which is the National Stage of International Application No. PCT/JP00/05074, filed August 1, 2000; the disclosure of which is incorporated herein by reference.

Priority is claimed from:

<u>Country</u>	<u>Application No</u>	<u>Filing Date</u>
Japan	11-218309	August 2, 1999

The priority document was filed in parent Application No. 10/031,404.



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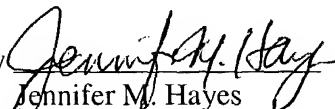
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The application is timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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